



Agenda

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Review of Solicitation

- RFP No. RCI -1-31070 can be found at: http://www.nrel.gov/contracts/rfps
- Proposals are due April 3, 2001
 not later than 4:30 p.m. (Mountain)
- Section Overview
- Statement of Work Changes



Statement of Work Changes

 DOE's Office of Heavy Vehicle Technologies (OHVT) is the pertinent office at DOE.

 Availability of prototypes is changed to "as early as 2004, but no later than 2007".



Statement of Work Changes

- Task A will:
 - Include both assessment and demonstration
 - Require data
 - Include a 'commercial implementation' date for the proposed methods and/or technologies.
 - Encourage participation from an engine manufacturer.



Statement of Work Changes

 Task A data shall be according to Federal Test Procedures and are "required" rather than "recommended".

 Duplicate PM sample trains are not required.



1. Is the funding for these projects out of the FY01 budget? Are additional funds available in the FY02 budget and beyond for follow-up work identified as a result of this work?

Funding for this RFP will be from the FY01 budget from NREL and SCAQMD. Yes, additional funds will be available in future fiscal years from various organizations to continue on with Phase 2 of the NGNGV project.



2. What are the specifics related to the interest of and funding available from SCAQMD and GTI?

As discussed in previous NGNGV meetings, both SCAQMD and GTI have committed to funding for Phase 1. As contracts have not yet been awarded, funding specifics and funding interests from these organizations have not yet been finalized.



3. Are there specific technologies that NREL feels should be assessed as part of this RFP?

The purpose of this RFP is to provide an assessment of available technologies and their effectiveness towards implementing the NGNGV goals. Thus, we prefer not to make specific recommendations in this regard.



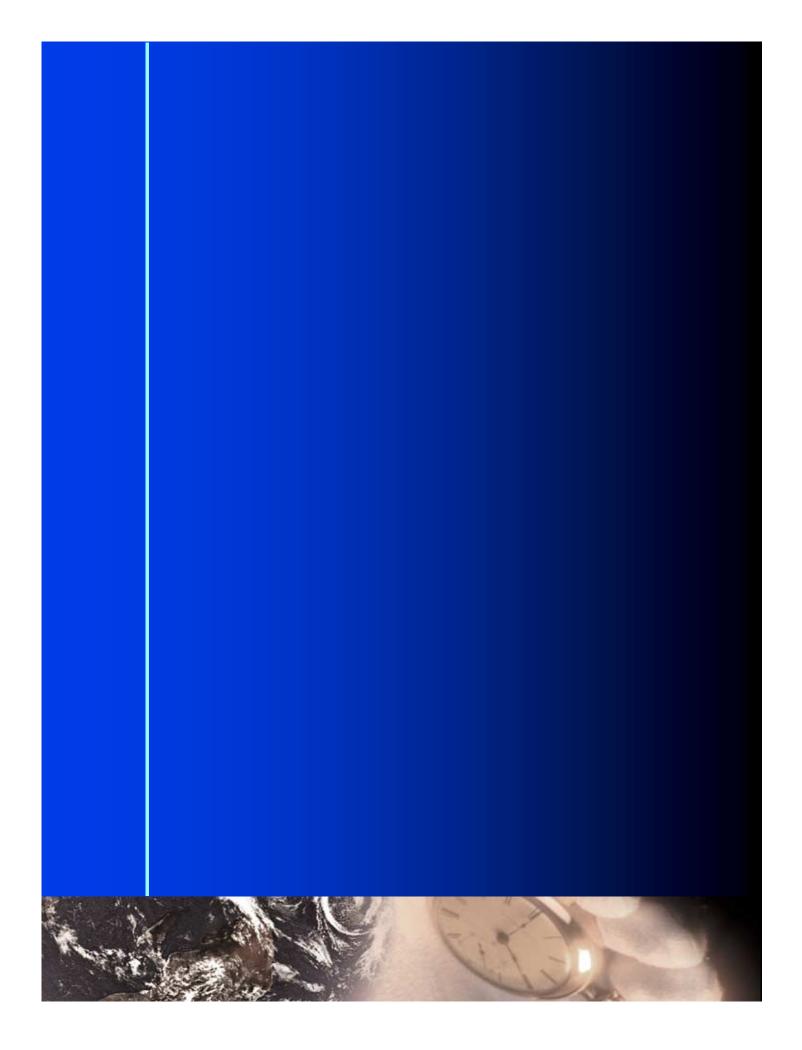
4. What is the expected date for awarding this contract? When does work commence? What is the requirement for cost sharing?

The first award of an NREL subcontract is targeted by May 31, 2001, depending on project and amount. Work would commence immediately upon execution of a subcontract. There is no requirement for cost sharing; it is an encouraged enhancement to a proposal.



5. Where can we learn more about the DOE-supported advanced technologies stated in the Statement Of Work, Background section, advanced natural gas engines, new materials, enhanced natural gas fuel storage, and reduced aerodynamic drag? Are there others we need to know about?

A good place to start a search on DOE projects and information is the Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI). They document all the Heavy Vehicle Technology reports. The website address is http://www.osti.gov/hvt/. This site also contains links to the DOE OHVT site. It should have anything you need for Heavy Vehicle Technology, DOE-sponsored or otherwise.





6. What is the significance of the Subcontract Sample document? Is it an example of what we would be expected to agree to if our proposal(s) were accepted? Is it a document the offerors would be expected to generate? Is it a document that would need to be submitted with our proposal(s)?



NREL provides a sample subcontract schedule so the offerors can review NREL's standard agreement for the type of project we envision occurring as a result of our RFP. It gives the offerors an opportunity to examine the types of contractual requirements NREL presents in its agreements, as well as the opportunity to site exceptions to those requirements and terms and conditions prior to submitting their proposals. The sample subcontract will be the basis for subcontract negotiations with any offeror selected for award under this RFP, and will be issued by NREL. There is no need to return the actual document with your proposal; reference to any specific part(s) of it may be made within your cover letter, as stated in Section 10.g, as needed.



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